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BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL HEALTH REPORT

FOR THE YEAR

1971

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor R.W. Stewart

Vice-Chairman: Councillor R.H. Kennett

Councillor W.C. Poulter (Mayor)
Alderman C.M. Kershaw
Alderman J. Owen
Councillor K. Beadle
Councillor D. Hardman
Councillor A.H. Hitchings
Councillor N. Ratcliffe
Councillor D.R. Walter

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY

Medical Officer of Health:

H.E. NUTTEN, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Chief Public Health Inspector, Cleansing Superintendent and Shops Acts Inspector:

RICHARD CRUDDAS, M.C.,F.R.S.H.,M.A.P.H.I.,
(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).

Additional Public Health Inspector:

J. CLOUGH, M.R.S.H.,M.A.P.H.I.,
(Resigned 20.10.71)

D. NADEN, M.A.P.H.I.,
(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).
(Commenced 1.12.71)

Technical Assistant:

G. BARSON, M.R.P.A.,Grad.I.D.H.E.,M.R.S.H.

Senior Clerk:

MRS. J. HODGETT

Clerk:
Mrs. C. CORNISH
(Resigned 25.6.71)
Miss A. Gee
(Commenced 26.7.71)

Junior Clerk:
Mrs. A. KIRK
(Resigned 9.7.71)
Miss L.Uniatycki
(Commenced 12.7.71)

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BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the year, 1971

Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

Buxton.

To the Minister of State for the Department of
Health & Social Security and

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present the Annual Report on the Health of the Borough for the year 1971.

The main causes of death were diseases of the heart and circulation with 118 cases (42%), cancer with 56 cases (20%) and vascular lesions of the nervous system with 51 cases (18%). These three main causes were responsible for 80% of the total deaths.

The total number of deaths for the year was 281. Of these 143 (50%) were aged 75 and over, 213 (75%) aged 65 and over, and 253 (90%) aged 55 and over.

The number of "meals on wheels" served during the year was 4,096.

I wish to record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee, to the General Practitioners in the area and to the staff of the Health Department for their co-operation and support during the year.

Your obedient Servant,

H. E. NUTTEN

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

The elevation of the Borough is from 950 to 1,200 feet above sea-level.

Area of the Borough	6,337 acres
Estimated Population (mid 1971)	19,880
Number of Dwellinghouses, end of 1971	6,474
Rateable Value (31.3.72)	£693,846
Estimated product of 1p Rate (31.3.72)	£6,500

Vital Statistics		M.	F.	T.
Live Births -	Total	163	149	312
	Legitimate	152	133	285
	Illegitimate	11	16	27
Stillbirths -	Total	-	3	3
	Legitimate	-	2	2
	Illegitimate	-	1	1
Total live and stillbirths -	Total	163	152	315
	Legitimate	152	135	287
	Illegitimate	11	17	28
Deaths of infants (under 1 year of age) -	Total	2	4	6
	Legitimate	2	2	4
	Illegitimate	-	2	2
(under 4 weeks of age)-	Total	-	2	2
	Legitimate	-	1	1
	Illegitimate	-	1	1
(under 1 week of age) -	Total	-	2	2
	Legitimate	-	1	1
	Illegitimate	-	1	1
Deaths - All ages		122	159	281

Live birth rates, etc.	Buxton	England & Wales
Livebirths per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	15.7	16.0
Area comparability factor	1.05	1.00
Local adjusted rate	16.5	16.0
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.03	1.00
Illegitimate live births as percentage of all live births	9	8
Stillbirth rate		
Stillbirths per 1,000 total live and still births	10	12
Infant morality rates		
Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	19	18
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	14	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	74	24
Neonatal mortality rate: Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	6	12
Early neonatal mortality rate: Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	6	10
Perinatal mortality rate: Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births	16	22

Death rates, etc. - all ages	Buxton	England & Wales
Deaths per 1,000 home population (crude rate) . . .	14.1	11.6
Area comparability factor	.88	1.00
Local adjusted rate	12.4	11.6
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate . . .	1.07	1.00

Comparability Factors

Since 1954 the Registrar General has issued an "area comparability factor" for each County District and for the County as a whole. The reason for this is to allow for the way in which the age and sex distribution of the local population differs from that for England and Wales as a whole.

Since 1957 the death rate area comparability factors have been adjusted to take into account the presence of residential institutions in the area.

When the local crude birth and death rates are multiplied by the factor, they are comparable with the crude rate for England and Wales.

CAUSES OF DEATHS IN THE BOROUGH OF BUXTON
DURING YEAR 1971

	CAUSES OF DEATH	Males	Females	Total
	All causes	122	159	281
B11	Meningococcal Infection	1	-	1
B19(1)	Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity etc . . .	3	-	3
B19(2)	Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	1	2	3
B19(3)	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	6	9
B19(4)	Malignant neoplasm, intestine	1	9	10
B19(6)	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	17	3	20
B19(7)	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	4	4
B19(8)	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1	1
B19(10)	Leukaemia	1	-	1
B19(11)	Other malignant neoplasms	1	4	5
B20	Benign and unspecified neoplasms.	-	1	1
B21	Diabetes mellitus	-	2	-
B46(5)	Other diseases of nervous system.	1	-	1
B26	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	1	-	1
B27	Hypertensive disease	-	4	4
B28	Ischaemic heart disease	40	40	80
B29	Other forms of heart disease.	10	18	28
B30	Cerebrovascular disease	17	34	51
B46(6)	Other diseases of circulatory system. . . .	3	2	5
B32	Pneumonia	3	2	5
B33(1)	Bronchitis and emphysema.	4	1	5
B46(7)	Other diseases of respiratory system. . . .	1	2	3
B34	Peptic ulcer.	-	4	4
B35	Appendicitis.	-	1	1
B36	Intestinal obstruction and hernia	-	3	3
B37	Cirrhosis of liver	2	-	2
B46(8)	Other diseases of digestive system	1	1	2
B38	Nephritis and nephrosis	1	-	1
B46(9)	Other diseases, genito-urinary system . . .	2	3	5
B46(11)	Diseases of musculo-skeletal system	-	1	1
B43	Birth injury, difficult labour, etc	-	2	2
B45	Symptoms and ill defined conditions	-	1	1
BE47	Motor vehicle accidents	3	2	5
BE48	All other accidents	4	6	10
BE49	Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	1	-	1

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

(a) Laboratory Facilities: Pathological and Bacteriological investigations are carried out at the County Public Health Laboratory, 121a Osmaston Road, Derby (Tel. Derby 41513), and the Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton. Chemical analysis is carried out at the County Analyst's Department, Matlock (Tel. Matlock 3411).

(b) Ambulance Facilities: This is a County Council Service with an ambulance stationed at Park Road, Buxton. (Tel. 2012).

(c) Nursing in the Home: This service is administered by the County Council.

(d) Clinics and Treatment Centres:

Name & Situation	Clinic held	By whom provided
Maternity & Child Welfare Bath Road	Mon. 1.30 - 4.15 Tues.1.30 - 4.15	Derbys. County Council
Harpur Hill Institute	1st & 3rd Tues. of ea. month 1.30 - 4.15	- do -
Special Clinic, Bath Road	Thurs. 9 - 12	- do -
Eye Clinic, Bath Road	1st, 2nd & 4th Mondays - a.m.	- do -
Child Welfare, St. Nicholas' Church Hall, Fairfield	2nd & 4th Thurs. 9.30 - 12 noon	- do -
Relaxation Class, Bath Road.	Thurs. 2.30 - 4 p.m.	- do -
Chiropody Clinic, Bath Road.	Mon. - Fri. 9 - 4 p.m.	- do -
Cervical Cytology Clinic, Bath Road.	3rd Mon. each month - a.m.	- do -
Family Planning Clinic, Bath Road.	Tues. 7 - 8.30 1st & 3rd Weds. 1.45 - 3.15	Family Planning Assn.
Chest Clinic, Stepping Hill Hospital. (Subsidiary Clinic held at the Buxton Hospital)	Mon. - Fri.	Regional Hosp. Board
Venereal Disease Clinic, St. Thomas' Hospital, Shaw Heath, Stockport.	Mon., Wed. & Fri.	- do -

(e) Hospitals: Administered by the Regional Hospital Board.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, SECTION 47 AS AMENDED BY THE NATIONAL ASSISTANCE 9AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

No cases were dealt with under this Act.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no common lodging houses in the town.

Water Supply: This is now under the control of the North Derbyshire Water Board. Water samples taken by the Board have been satisfactory. I am indebted to the Engineer and Manager to the Board for regularly sending results of the samples.

FOOD

Food Poisoning Outbreaks

There were two cases of food poisoning during the year.

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES DURING 1971

Age Periods	New Cases			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	1	-
35	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	-
55	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards . . .	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	1	-

NEW CASES DURING THE YEARS 1962-1971

Year	Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Grand Total
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	
1962	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1963	4	3	7	-	2	2	9
1964	2	-	2	-	-	-	2
1965	6	-	6	-	-	-	6
1966	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1967	1	-	1	-	1	1	2
1968	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1969	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
1970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1971	-	-	-	1	-	1	1

ALL CANCER DEATHS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population	Rate per 1,000 Population
1962	62	3.20	2.175
1963	51	2.63	2.178
1964	46	2.37	2.209
1965	39	2.00	2.226
1966	45	2.29	2.249
1967	53	2.68	2.275
1968	50	2.5	2.3
1969	50	2.5	2.350
1970	47	2.34	2.342
1971	56	2.82	2.4

DEATHS FROM CANCER OF LUNG & BRONCHUS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population	Rate per 1,000 Population
1962	11	0.57	0.509
1963	9	0.46	0.520
1964	11	0.56	0.535
1965	6	0.31	0.553
1966	5	0.25	0.562
1967	17	0.86	0.584
1968	11	0.55	0.593
1969	13	0.65	0.610
1970	12	0.51	0.606
1971	20	1.00	0.6
Total	115	5.72	5.672
Average	(10 years)	0.57	0.56

DEATHS FROM BRONCHITIS & EMPHYSEMA

Year	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population
1962	7	0.36
1963	13	0.67
1964	13	0.67
1965	14	0.72
1966	10	0.56
1967	11	0.56
1968	8	0.39
1969	10	0.49
1970	22	1.10
1971	5	0.25

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES FOR THE YEAR 1971

Disease	Total Cases Notified (all ages)	Analysis of Total Cases in age groups												
		Under 1 year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-59	60 and over	Age unknown
Food Poisoning	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	6	2	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-

Under the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1968 which came into operation on the 1st October, 1968 the following is a list of the other notifiable diseases:

Acute encephalitis
Acute meningitis
Acute poliomyelitis
Anthrax
Cholera
Diphtheria
Dysentery
Infective Jaundice
Leprosy
Leptospirosis
Malaria
Opthalmia Neonatorum
Paratyphoid Fever
Plague
Relapsing Fever
Scarlet Fever
Smallpox
Typhoid Fever
Typhus
Whooping Cough
Yellow Fever

REPORT OF BOROUGH METEOROLOGIST

Meteorological Station,
BUXTON.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following is based on Meteorological Observations made at the Buxton Meteorological Station during 1971.

The highest temperature recorded in the shade was 76 F on 8th July.

The lowest temperature - 15 F on 3rd and 4th January.

Heaviest rainfall (during 24 hours) - 41.6 m.m. 23rd April.

Rain was recorded on 172 days.

Snow or sleet was recorded on 17 days.

There were 14 mornings with snow lying.

Highest air pressure - 30.75 recorded on 6th February.

Lowest air pressure - 28.77 recorded on 21st January.

The highest daily sunshine total was 13.6 hours on 13th July.

January : Mainly mild.

February: Changeable.

March : Changeable; wet during the third week.

April : Mainly dull, cold and dry; heavy rain on the 23rd.

May : Sunnier than average.

June : Very cool, wet.

July : Sunny; dry spells.

August : Very changeable at times with some heavy rainfalls.

September : Long dry and sunny spells.

October : Mainly warm with dry and sunny spells.

November : Cold and wet.

December : Rainfall below average, quite mild.

1971	Average Temperature (F)	Total Rainfall (m.m.)	Total Sunshine (hours)
January . . .	37.0	94.4	22.0
February . . .	37.5	69.1	46.7
March . . .	37.6	68.7	76.1
April . . .	42.4	82.0	98.2
May . . .	49.3	52.0	212.4
June . . .	50.8	97.7	131.6
July . . .	59.5	23.8	208.4
August . . .	56.6	135.7	135.7
September . . .	56.0	16.1	153.7
October . . .	50.0	108.2	107.3
November . . .	42.0	155.7	60.1
December . . .	41.0	37.2	14.4
	Totals	940.6	1266.6

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

I. E. BURTON

Borough Meteorologist

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CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1971

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Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

BUXTON,

Derbyshire,

SK17 6EL.

September, 1972.

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting, for your consideration, my Fourteenth Annual Report.

Much of the work of the Department is routine, ensuring that the Environmental Health of the inhabitants of the Borough is adequately safe-guarded.

Nevertheless, the introduction of new directives, from the various Government Departments, together with new legislation, have had to receive the attention of your Inspectors and staff.

The statistics of the work undertaken is contained as an appendix to my Report and, as in past years, I have extracted items of importance on which I considered it necessary to elaborate.

1. Housing

Clearance of totally unfit houses continued and 18 houses were demolished (25-59, Haslin Road, Harpur Hill, Buxton) as a result of default by the owner. Unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied totalled 58.

There was a continued upward trend in the Applications for Improvement Grants from owners and owner/occupiers of private dwellings, in addition, 67 Council owned properties were improved.

Routine inspections of all houses known to be in multiple occupation were carried out.

Under the provision of Section 45/46, of the Housing Act, 1969 - Part III, 36 Applications for Qualification Certificates were received, of which 21 were granted and 5 refused. 13 Certificates of Provisional Approval were received of which 12 were granted and 1 refused.

2. Refuse Collection and Disposal

In the early part of the year there was a showing of the British Visqueen ciné film "There must be a better way", in conjunction with a film by Thames Board Mills on the subject of "Waste paper". The object of this

2. Refuse Collection and Disposal (Continued)

public showing was by way of introduction to the plastic bin liner system which was to operate from 1st April, 1971 and to indicate the importance of waste paper recovery.

One S & D Refuse Collection 35 cubic yard pakamatic vehicle was returned to the manufacturers for modification to the rear loading mechanism in order to receive plastic sacks. The opportunity was taken for the vehicle to have a works overhaul which extends the life of the vehicle for an approximate period of two years.

During the year, the local authority became members of the Keep Britain Tidy Group and a sum of twenty-five pounds was allocated for the purpose of publicity material.

Facilities enabling Whaley Bridge Urban District Council to use Hogshaw Controlled Tip were extended for a period of two years, expiring on 31st December, 1973.

Pollution by Tipping

Publicity was given through the press and by leaflets issued with rate demands and Council house rent cards of the facilities available to the public for the tipping of refuse and unwanted articles, and collections by arrangement.

This was done in an endeavour to prevent danger to the countryside environment and the possible contamination of water supplies by indiscriminate tipping.

Alternative Methods of Disposal

Arrangements were made for the members of the Public Health Committee to visit various authorities for the purpose of inspecting pulverisation plants.

3. Salvage

There was a growth in tonnage of approximately 30 tonnes collected during the year, this resulted in an increase of gross income from £4,766.15.0 in 1970 to £5,118.65 in 1971.

The extraction of this amount of salvageable waste from the refuse contributed to a saving of valuable tipping space.

4. Prosecutions

(a) It was necessary to take legal proceedings as a result of a foreign body being found in a loaf of bread. The Company concerned was fined fifty pounds and ordered to pay ten pounds of the costs incurred by the Council.

(b) A firm supplying milk from the dairy containing glass, pleaded guilty and was fined seventy pounds and ordered to pay fifteen pounds costs.

4. Prosecutions (Continued)

(c) A bottle of milk from a dairy containing a mouse, resulted in the dairy being fined fifty pounds on each of two counts. The Corporation was awarded twenty-five pounds costs and fifteen pounds seventy-five witness expenses.

A counter summons, by the dairy firm, issued on the milk roundsman who delivered the milk to the purchaser was dismissed with costs of thirty pounds.

5. Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act

Routine inspections have been carried out and all plans for new shops and offices inspected to ensure that they comply with the regulations.

Mr. J. Clough, Public Health Inspector, and myself, attended a course on the hazards of office, shop and canteen machinery and the practical application of safety measures in Offices, Shops and Railway Premises, organised by Her Majesty's Factory Inspectorate and held at Salford Technical College.

6. Shops Act, 1950

Routine inspections were carried out and, as in past years, advice was given on the provisions of the Shops Act when deemed necessary.

A continuing Order was made for the suspension of the weekly half-day closing obligations for shops in the Borough, thus avoiding the necessity of making a new Order each year.

The Order made under Section 40 of the Shops Act, 1950, suspends during the period of eighteen weeks in each year commencing on the Wednesday preceding the Spring Bank Holiday and ending on the seventeenth Wednesday following such Bank Holiday, the obligations imposed by the Shops Act, 1950 to close shops within the Borough on the weekly half-day holidays.

7. Noise

A number of complaints were received during the year concerning a continuous humming noise which eminated from quarries to the South and East of the Borough, situated in the Rural District of Chapel-en-le-Frith. Close liaison was maintained with the appropriate Officers of the Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council to ensure that every available step was taken to reduce the noise to an acceptable level.

Meetings were held with representatives of local authorities and the Peak Park Planning Board with the objective of appointing consultants to investigate the operations of selected quarries within the Peak Park Area.

8. Atmospheric Pollution

(a) Diesel Fumes from Heavy Goods Vehicles

As a result of complaints from ratepayers in the Manchester Road area, contact was made with the Traffic Commissioners for the North West Traffic Area concerning atmospheric pollution in that locality, caused by diesel

8. Atmospheric Pollution (Continued)

(a) Diesel Fumes from Heavy Goods Vehicles

fumes emitted from the heavy goods vehicles using Manchester Road. As a result, the Traffic Commissioner undertook to carry out vehicle checks and silent smoke checks in the Buxton area.

(b) Smoke Control Order

During the year the Council made the Borough of Buxton (Fairfield No. 1) Smoke Control Order which was submitted to the Secretary of State for the Environment for approval.

A publicity exhibition was held at the Fairfield Community Centre during the period 1st - 5th November when persons residing in the area were afforded the opportunity of asking questions and seeking advice on the proposed Smoke Control Order.

Two objections were received to the Smoke Control Order and an Inspector, appointed by the Secretary of State for the Environment, attended at Buxton Town Hall on Wednesday, 29th December, 1971 for the purpose of hearing evidence from the Council Officers and one objector, the other objector having withdrawn.

Subsequently the Order was confirmed.

9. Safety in the Home

The "Buxton Home Safety Committee" continued to operate throughout the year. This Committee is constituted of two elected representatives from the Public Health Committee, together with representatives from various organisations within the Borough.

Your Chief Public Health Inspector acts as Honorary Secretary to the Committee and your Borough Treasurer as Honorary Treasurer.

The Council make an annual contribution of £60 per annum to the expenses of the Committee and the County Council contribute half of the annual expenses, to a maximum of £100.

The Committee is represented on the Derbyshire County Council Home Safety Liaison Committee and on the East Midlands Area No. 4 Group which is constituted of delegates from the Counties of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire and Rutlandshire. Your Chief Public Health Inspector is the present Chairman of this Committee.

Six Meetings of the Buxton Home Safety Committee were held during the year and the following matters were given publicity.

1.	Safety in the Kitchen	- A display and exhibition held in the Foyer of the Buxton Public Library.
2.	Disposal of non-returnable bottles	- These items to be disposed of through the local authority services.

9. Safety in the Home (Continued)

3. Glass doors in domestic premises - The danger of constructing 'do - it yourself' panels in doors in the home of unprotected or thin gauge glass.

4. Home Safety Quiz - A Home Safety Quiz between teams representing various organisations in the town.

5. Visual Aids Training - A course held at Matlock for members of the Home Safety Committee in the use of visual aids whilst lecturing on Home Safety matters.

Four Meetings of the East Midlands Home Safety Committee were held, at which the Buxton Home Safety Committee was represented by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

Close liaison continued to be maintained with the Buxton Hospital to gather information on home accidents occurring in Buxton and requiring hospital treatment.

From the statistics available it will be seen that the prevention of accidents in the home still requires prolonged publicity and advice.

Type of Accident	Total
Falls	104
Poisoning	21
Burns & Scalds	75
Suffocation	2
Miscellaneous	82
Grand Total	284

10. Conferences and Symposiums

The authority was represented at the following Conferences and Symposiums by a representative from the Public Health Department.

Annual Conference of the Association of Public Health Inspectors held at Eastbourne.

One day Symposium on Pollution by Shell Mex and B.P. Limited held at Sheffield.

10. Conferences and Symposiums (Continued)

One day Conference in London on the subject of Clean Air, Waste Paper and Noise.

The Week-end School of the Association of Public Health Inspectors held at Swanwick near Alfreton.

The Coal Utilisation Council one day course on modern developments on Smoke Control held at Nottingham.

11. Staff

Mrs. C. Cornish and Mrs. A. Kirk, clerk/shorthand typist and junior clerk/typist, resigned from their respective appointments and Miss A. Gee and Miss L. Uniatycki were appointed respectively to fill the vacancies.

Mr. J. Clough, Public Health Inspector, resigned his appointment in October, on being appointed to a similar post with Leek Urban District Council. Mr. Clough was a Health Inspector with this authority for a period of eight years and moved to Leek where he had been in residence during the past three years for family reasons. We wish Mr. Clough every success in his new appointment.

Mr. D. Naden, Public Health Inspector with Chesterfield Rural District Council was appointed to the vacant position and commenced his duties on 1st December, 1971.

I am indebted to Mr. G. Barson, Technical Assistant who had the responsibility of the Department during my absence due to injury and being the interval of time of Mr. Clough leaving and Mr. Naden commencing duties and when the new appointees were gaining knowledge of the running of the Health Department.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the members of the Refuse Collection and Disposal teams and the Convenience Attendants. They have all done their jobs well, often under great difficulties. Without their close co-operation the environmental health services would not have functioned so satisfactorily as has been the case this year.

To my colleagues in the neighbouring authorities of Whaley Bridge Urban District Council and Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council I tender my thanks for there close co-operation in dealing with problems of mutual interest and effecting the welfare of the ratepayers of our respective authorities.

To the Medical Officer of Health and the Officers of other Departments of the Corporation I express my thanks for the assistance given to the members of my staff and myself whenever required, and to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support throughout the year.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

RICHARD CRUDDAS,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Bakehouses	32
Butchers	106
Choked drains and sewers	249
Civic Amenities Act	166
Clean Air Act	233
Complaints General	985
Dairies and milk distribution	60
Dustbins	59
Factories - mechanical power	49
Factories - non-mechanical	51
Factories - other premises	79
Fish shops (wet)	46
Fish friers	23
Food shops - general	146
Food warehouses and stores	56
Food preparation premises	151
Food hawkers and vehicles	42
Food inspection	79
Hairdressers	36
Houses inspected - housing consolidated regulations	112
Houses inspected - for housing defects (disrepair, etc.)	154
Houses inspected - after infectious disease	2
Houses let in lodgings	78
Hotel and restaurant kitchens	112
Ice-cream premises	17
Ice-cream sampling	3
Improvement Grants	190
Infectious disease visits	2
Market	124
Meat inspection	590
Milk sampling	41
Miscellaneous	134
Moveable dwellings	14
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	83
Outworkers	9
Pet animal premises	23
Piggeries	23
Places of entertainment	27
Public conveniences	226
Revisits	113
Refuse and salvage	302
Rodent Control - refuse tips and sewage works	43
Rodent Control - other local authority properties	62
Rodent Control - business premises	50
Rodent Control - private dwellings	160
Rodent Control - agricultural premises	17
Rodent Control - main sewers	251
Schools	8
Shops Act, 1950 - routine	9
Shops Act, 1950 - evening	1
Shops Act, 1950 - Sunday	16
Shops Act, 1950 - half-day closing	2
Slaughterhouses	275
Water sampling	75
Workplaces	15
	6,011

B/fwd.	1,881
Factories cleansed	12
Factories - heating improved	7
Factories - lighting improved	13
Factories - ventilation improved	8
Factories - floors and drains repaired	10
Factories - sanitary conveniences improved or repaired ...	5
Factories - sanitary conveniences provided	2
Factories - structures repaired	2
Floors repaired or renewed	11
Food premises - repaired or improved	32
Food premises - sanitary accommodation provided	2
Food premises - cleansed	7
Food premises - other defects remedied	27
Food premises - washing facilities provided	8
Public conveniences - structures repaired or improved ...	5
Public conveniences - cleansed and redecorated	2
Public conveniences - fittings repaired or renewed ...	201
Shops repaired or improved	29
Shops - washing facilities provided	7
Shops - cleansed	4
Shops - sanitary accommodation provided	1
Shops - other defects remedied or nuisances abated ...	23
	2,299

NOTICES, INTERVIEWS, ETC.

Total number of complaints received	821
Total number of requests received	653
Interviews with owners builders, etc.	397
Statutory Notices served	51
Statutory Notices complied with	41
Informal Notices served	97
Informal Notices complied with	72
Verbal Notices given	184
Verbal Notices complied with	111
Letters and reminders sent to owners, etc.	125

STATUTORY NOTICES SERVED

Civic Amenities Act, 1967	9
Housing Act, 1957	
Section 9	2
Section 16	1
Section 170	1

STATUTORY NOTICES SERVED (Continued)

Public Health Act, 1936

Section 39	15
Section 93	2
Section 277	18

Public Health Act, 1961

Section 17	2
Section 26	1

Year Ended 31st December, 1971

Number of new houses erected during the year:-

(a) Local Authority	87
(b) Private Enterprise	25
(c) Other Local Authorities	NIL
(d) Existing houses converted into flats	4
(e) New flats	36
Total	152

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

No. of manholes in main foul sewers	1,204
No. of houses in the Borough connected to sewers ...	6,594
No. of houses not connected to sewers	26
No. of connections made during the year:-	
(a) Existing houses	NIL
(b) New houses	117
(c) Other premises	35
No. of conversions of pail closets to W.C.'s ...	NIL

Where drains were found to be defective, owners were requested to carry out works of repair. Details of work carried out are given in the summary of nuisances abated.

SUMMARY OF NUISANCES ABATED AND SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Accumulations or deposits removed	75
Baths provided or renewed	67
Bedding and clothing disinfected	9
Ceilings repaired or renewed	52
Chimney stacks repaired	49
Closet compartments repaired or renewed	18
Closet compartments cleansed	7
Disinfestation of wasps	27
Doors and other woodwork repaired	75
Drains repaired or renewed	68
Drains unstopped or cleansed	178
Drains - additional provided	46
Drains - old drains tested	25
Drains - new drains tested	33
Eaves gutters repaired	46
External walls repaired	39
Firegrates repaired or renewed	28
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	24
Food stores provided or improved	19
Fuel stores provided or repaired	4
Gully traps provided or renewed	40
Improper keeping of animals discontinued	5
Inspection chambers provided or repaired	27
Lavatory basins provided or renewed	63
Lighting improved	24
Miscellaneous defects remedied and nuisances abated	78
Moveable dwelling nuisances abated	2
New dustbins provided	47
Overcrowding abated	2
Public sewers repaired or renewed	8
Public sewers unstopped and cleansed	23
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed	59
Sinks provided or renewed	55
Smoke nuisances abated	20
Soil pipes provided or renewed	42
Staircases repaired	19
Staircase handrails provided	22
Steps and sills repaired	39
Unfit houses demolished	18
Unfit houses made habitable	74
Ventilation improved	23
Verminous articles disinfected	2
Verminous rooms disinfected	2
Walls repaired internally	52
Waste pipes repaired or renewed	40
Water supply improved	24
Water fittings repaired or renewed	24
Water closets - additional provided	53
Water closets - provided in lieu of pail closets	6
Water closets - repaired or renewed	11
Windows repaired or renewed	70
Yard and passage paving provided or repaired	18
C/fwd.	1,881

DISINFECTIONS FOLLOWING INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Details of work done during the year are as follows:-

Number of rooms disinfected	2
Number of articles of clothing, bedding, etc., disinfected	9
Library books disinfected	NIL
Number of visits paid by Public Health Inspectors to premises in connection with infectious disease and disinfections	2

ERADICATION OF INSECT PESTS

Number of rooms treated	15
Wasps nests removed	27

OVERCROWDING

No new cases of statutory overcrowding were reported or discovered during 1971. Two cases of overcrowding were relieved by the Local Authority during the year. One case of overcrowding remained outstanding at the end of the year.

(a)	Number of dwellings statutorily overcrowded ...	3
(b)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved by L.A.	2
(c)	Number of persons concerned in (b)	5½
(d)	Number of dwellings remaining overcrowded	1
(e)	Number of persons concerned in (d)	4

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
In Clearance Areas declared under Section 42 of Housing Act, 1957	Houses Demolished	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Unfit for human habitation	Nil	Nil	Nil
Included by reason of bad arrangement	Nil	Nil	Nil
On land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in Clearance Areas			
As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) of Housing Act, 1957	18	Nil	Nil
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	Nil	Nil	Nil
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	Nil	Nil	Nil
Houses included in unfitness orders	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed			Nil

B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
	Houses Closed	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1) Housing Act, 1957	1	Nil	Nil
Under Sections 17 (3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Parts of buildings closed under Section 18 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil

SLUM CLEARANCE: REPAIR OF HOUSES

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED		
	By Owner	By Local Authority
After informal action by local authority	8	58
After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	8	Nil
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil
Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (HOUSING ACT, 1957)		
Position at end of year. Retained for temporary accommodation	Number of houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in Cols. 1 and 2
(a) Under Section 48	Nil	Nil
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	Nil	Nil
(c) Under Section 46	Nil	Nil
Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53	Nil	Nil

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT		
	Number of houses	Number of occupants of houses in column 1
Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased in the year	Nil	Nil

IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS

Discretionary Improvement Grants under Housing Acts 1959 and 1969

Conversions

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	14
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	3
(b) other	3
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay this year after completion of conversion	£6,641

Improvements

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	9
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	1
(b) other	1
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay on applications approved this year	£1,223

Improvements to Council-owned dwellings

Number of dwellings concerned this year	67
Amount of Annual Grant received from Ministry of Housing and Local Government for period of twenty years	£2,694

Standard Improvement Grants under Housing Acts, 1959 and 1969

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	58
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	38
(b) other	27
Grants paid this year (i.e. after completion of improvements):-	
Number of dwellings concerned	46
Amount paid	£7,540.95

Total Number of Amenities Provided

A fixed bath or shower in a bathroom	41
A fixed bath or shower elsewhere in the dwelling	Nil
A hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower	41
A wash hand basin	43
A hot and cold water supply at a wash hand basin	43
A sink	24
A hot and cold water supply at a sink	36
A water closet in and accessible from within the dwelling ...	40
A water closet within the curtilage of the dwelling and readily accessible from the dwelling	Nil

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

1. Total number of houses known to be in multiple occupation ... 47

2. Number of houses estimated to need attention under Housing Act, 1961 10

3. Number of houses on which notices of intention have been served for

   (a) Management orders (Sec. 12) ... ... Nil

   (b) Directions on overcrowding (Sec. 19) ... ... Nil

4. Number of houses on which have been made

   (a) Management orders ... ... Nil

   (b) Directions on overcrowding ... ... Nil

5. Number of notices served

   (a) To make good neglect of proper standard of management ... Nil

   (b) To require additional services or facilities ... ... Nil

   (c) Where work has been carried out in default ... ... Nil

6. Number of prosecutions since passing of Housing Act, 1961, in respect of

   (a) Management ... ... Nil

   (b) Directions ... ... Nil

   (c) Overcrowding (Sec. 90 Housing Act, 1957) ... ... Nil

7. Number of control orders made (Housing Act, 1964) ... ... Nil

8. Number of control orders terminated ... ... Nil

9. Details regarding separate occupancies in houses in multiple occupation

Number of houses with following number of occupancies	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Over 12
	12	24	6	1		1	1		1			1

Landlord/Tenant Act Number of houses without Rent Books 6

Number of proceedings taken ... ... Nil

CARAVANS AND CAMPING - CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

1. Total number of visits made to all sites 11

2. Number of site licences operating as at 31st December, 1971

   (a) Residential 1

   (b) Holiday 1

3. Total number of caravans 150

4. Tented camping sites licensed as at 31st December, 1971

   (a) Private 1

   (b) Local Authority ... ... Nil

5. Average number of tents pitched at any one time 12

6. Adequate and satisfactory sanitary arrangements are available at the caravan sites and camping site.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

(a)	Public swimming pools and baths	- Natural baths owned by Local Authority
(b)	Privately owned swimming pools or baths open to the public	- Palace Hotel Swimming Bath
(c)	Hospital treatment pools	- Devonshire Royal Hospital Pool
(d)	Action taken to ensure the satisfactory condition of the water	- Routine Sampling

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The following Conveniences are controlled by the Public Health Department:-

Ladies:- Ashwood Park, Boarstones Lane, Bridge Street, Burbage, Burlington Road, Cote Heath, Fairfield, Market Place, Harpur Hill and Water Street

Gentlemen:- Ashwood Park, Boarstones Lane, Bridge Street, Burbage, Burlington Road, Cote Heath, Fairfield, Market Place, Harpur Hill, Terrace Road and Water Street

SALVAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Salvageable Material	1969						1970						1971	
	Weight			Income			Weight			Income			Weight	Income
	T.	C.	Q.	£:	s:	d.	T.	C.	Q.	£:	s:	d.	Tonnes	£: p.
Mixed Waste Paper	134	8	0	1,261	2	6	145	12	0	1,528	16	0	163.59	1,766.21
Container Waste	213	1	0	2,477	19	0	227	1	0	2,776	13	9	227.74	2,733.54
Newsprint	43	13	0	480	12	3	27	11	0	351	5	3	39.13	498.90
Mixed Rags		-			-			-			-		-	-
Scrap	Various Amounts			9	15	0	Various Amounts			110	0	0	Various Amounts	120.00
Total	391	2	0	4,229	8	9	400	4	0	4,766	15	0	430.46	5,118.65

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	462	931	65	1,593	2,450
Number inspected	462	931	65	1,593	2,450
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:-					
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	16	14	12	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	76	284	Nil	8	50
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	16.45	32.22	21.53	1.25	2.04
Tuberculosis only:-					
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cysticerosis:-					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SLAUGHTERHOUSES - MEAT INSPECTION

Details of the animals inspected are set out in the preceding tables:-

No. of carcases inspected	5,501
Cattle excluding cows	462
Cows	931
Calves	65
Sheep and lambs	1,593
Pigs	2,450

UNSOUND FOOD

The following is a detailed list of the diseased or unsound meat and other food examined by your Inspectors in slaughterhouses and shops and subsequently destroyed:-

Bovine

Carcase and Organs	Dropsy and Emaciation	8
Carcase and Organs	Septicaemia and Fevered Condition	5
Carcase and Organs	Bruising	2
Carcase and Organs	Brucellosis	1
Hindquarter Beef	Bruising	18 cwts. 3 qrs.
Livers	Telangiectasis	33
Livers	Abscess	34
Livers	Bacillary Necrosis	5
Livers	Distomatosis	143
Lungs	Pleurisy	7
Lungs	Congestion	1
Lungs	Abscess	63
Kidneys	Hydronephrosis	13
Heart	Abscess	1
Heart	Xanthosis	1
Udder	Brucellosis	12
Uterus	Brucellosis	12
Spleen	Peritonitis	8

Calves

Carcase and Organs	Immaturity	6
Carcase and Organs	Pneumonia and Septicaemia	5
Carcase and Organs	Decomposition	1
Carcase and Organs	Dropsy	1
Carcase and Organs	Pericarditis and Pneumonia	1

Sheep

Carcase and Organs	Dropsy and Emaciation	2
Carcase and Organs	Bruising	6
Carcase and Organs	Immaturity	4
Livers	Abscess	4
Livers	Distomatosis	2
Pluck	Abscess	2

Pigs

Pluck	Pneumonia	10
Pluck	Abscess and Pleurisy	10
Pluck	Pericarditis	7
Head	Abscess	1
Lungs	Pleurisy and Pneumonia	11
Livers	Ascaris Lumbricoides	1
Livers	Pleurisy and Hepatitis	10

Meat, Poultry, Fish and Miscellaneous Foods

	cwts.	lb.	ozs.
Miscellaneous articles of frozen food due to cabinet breakdowns	4	17	0
Chuck Steak	1	50	0
Tripe	0	45	0
Chestnuts	0	66	0
12 Capons	0	84	8
1 Turkey (Cooked)	0	13	6
Tinned Meats			
3 tins of Ox Tongue	0	18	0
1 tin of Ham	0	11	8
2 tins of Pork	0	11	0
2 tins of Corned Beef	0	10	0
1 tin of Corned Mutton	0	6	0
4 tins of Lambs' Livers	0	40	0
Tinned Foods other than Meats			
2 tins of Sliced Peaches	0	1	14
38 tins of Blackcurrants in Syrup	0	30	14

The above mentioned items of foodstuff were voluntary surrendered for destruction, the retailers having first consulted the Public Health Department as to the food's fitness for sale for human consumption.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

The milk supply of Buxton is derived from 32 sources as follows:-

Producer/retailer : within the Borough	3
Producer/wholesaler : within the Borough	8
Producer/retailer : from without the Borough	-
Producer/wholesaler : from without the Borough	21
	32

Several of the producers within the Borough sell their surplus milk wholesale to dairies in Manchester, and in addition there are about 6 producers who sell all their milk wholesale in Manchester.

The number of registered premises in the Borough and visits made during the year are as follows:-

Number of Registered Dairies	8
Number of Registered Milk Distributors	34
Number of Inspections made	60
Number of visits - Milk Sampling	41

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK SAMPLING

Designation	No. of Samples	Brucella Abortus		Methylene Blue			
		Neg.	Pos.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Void	Not done
Tuberculin Tested	122	Ring Test		77	24	10	11
		83	39				
		Culture					
		36	3				
		Guinea Pig* Innoculation+o					
		24	8				

* 7 Guinea Pig Innoculations not done.

The sampling of pasteurised milk is carried out by the County Council Officials.

MILK SAMPLES TAKEN BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL

Untreated Milk			
Methylene Blue		Biological	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Nil	Nil	1	Nil

Pasteurised Milk			
Methylene Blue		Phosphatase	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory*	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
38	7	50	2

* 7 not done

Ultra Heat Treated Milk	
Colony Count Test	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
1	Nil

Total number of samples taken 54

Pasteurising Plant - Buxton Spa Dairies Limited, Green Lane, Buxton

Pasteurised Milk			
Methylene Blue		Phosphatase	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
16*	Nil	18	Nil

* 2 not done

Total number of Pasteurising Plant samples 18

Where two successive samples of milk from any one supplier fail to pass the methylene blue reduction test, notification is sent to the County Milk Production Officer with a request for him to visit the farm.

ICE-CREAM - SAMPLING

Number of samples submitted for bacteriological examination	Satisfactory Provisional Grade 1	Unsatisfactory under Provisional Grades
3	2	1

FOOD PREMISES - Food Premises within the Borough

Butchers	16
Pork Butchers	3
Grocers	47
Dairy Produce and Grocery	8
Bread and Flour Confectionery	6
Sugar Confectionery	22
Fried Fish and Chips	7
Greengrocers	14
Restaurants	21
General Stores	3
Cheese Factors	1
Wine and Spirits Merchants	5
Bakehouses	6
Licensed Premises	54
Market Stalls for Food	21
Wholesale Warehouses	5
Hotels, etc.	25
Works Canteens	13
Shops Canteens	4
School Kitchens	17
Chicken Spits	1

Food Premises Registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Ice-Cream Dealers	106
Manufacturers of Sausage and Preserved Foods	55

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Report of County Analyst

170 samples, including 66 milks, were taken under the above Act in the area of the Borough of Buxton during the year 1971.

One sample of Untreated Milk and two samples of Pasteurised Milk each contained small amounts of added water. Caution notices were issued.

An informal sample of Yeast Extract was incorrectly labelled, and the manufacturers were informed. An informal sample of Junior Aspirin Tablets failed the B.P. test for free salicylic acid. A formal sample was taken and found to be satisfactory. A sample of Pork Sausages was slightly deficient in meat and further samples will be taken in due course.

The remaining samples were classed as satisfactory.

POULTRY INSPECTION

There are no poultry processing premises within the Borough of Buxton.

WATER SUPPLY - Sampling

Number of houses connected to mains	6,515
Number of houses supplied from stand pipes on mains	Nil
Number of houses on private supplies	22

Samples are taken once per month from the town mains water supply.

The bacteriological examinations are carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Derby. The chemical examinations are carried out by the County Analyst at Matlock. The following is a summary of the results of samples taken during the year:-

	Town Mains No. of Samples		Other Sources No. of Samples		Swimming Baths No. of Samples	
	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.
For bacteriological examination	17	-	6	-	44	2
For chemical examination	2	-	2	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

TABLE A - Registration and General Inspections

Class of premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	2	88	2
Retail shops	6	173	8
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	7	-
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	41	2
Fuel storage depots	-	2	-
TOTALS	9	311	12

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES UNDER THE ACT - 83

TABLE B - Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Number of Contraventions found		Section	Number of Contraventions found	
4	Cleanliness	2	13	Sitting facilities	2
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	2	15	Eating facilities	1
7	Ventilation	3	16	Floors, passage and stairs	2
8	Lighting	1	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	1
9	Sanitary conveniences	1	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	7	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	2	24	First aid	2
				Other matters	5
				TOTAL	31

TABLE C - Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported		Total No. Investigated	Action Recommended			
	Fatal	Non Fatal		Prosecution	Formal warning	Informal advice	No action
Offices	Nil	2	2	Nil	Nil	2	Nil
Retail shops	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Wholesale shops warehouses	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Nil	2	2	Nil	Nil	2	Nil
Fuel storage depots	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTALS	Nil	5	5	Nil	Nil	5	Nil

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
Machinery	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Transport	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Falls of persons	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Stepping on or striking against object or person	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
Handling goods	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Struck by falling object	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Fires and explosions	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Electricity	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Use of hand tools	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not otherwise specified	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

TABLE D - Analysis of Persons Employed

in Registered Premises by

Workplace

Class of workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	594
Retail shops	857
Wholesale departments, warehouses	31
Catering establishments open to the public	350
Canteens	25
Fuel storage depots	7
Total	1,864
Total Males	724
Total Females	1,140

No. of inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act 3

No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in connection with the Act ... ... Nil

FACTORIES

The provision of the Factories Act, 1961, which your Council has to administer chiefly relates to the following matters:-

(1) Factories where mechanical power is used.

(a) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.

(2) Factories where mechanical power is not used.

(a) Cleanliness.

(b) Overcrowding.

(c) Temperature and ventialation.

(d) Drainage of floors.

(e) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.

FACTORIES (Continued)

(3) Basement bakehouses.

(4) Home Work.

The following table shows the list of factories on the Register:-

Abrasive Compound Manufacturers	1
Agricultural Engineers	1
Bakehouses	6
Bicycle Repairs	1
Blacksmiths	1
Boot Repairing	3
Brake Lining Manufacturers	3
Builders Merchants	2
Builders and Plumbers	17
Corset Manufacturers	1
Dairies	8
Dry Cleaners	5
Dress Makers and Milliners	6
Electrical Engineers	3
Firewood Dealers	2
General Engineers	6
Joinery	4
Laundries	3
Local Authority	3
Milk Pasteurisation	1
Nationalised Industries	6
Monumental Stone Mason	2
Motor Engineer Body Builders	3
Motor Car Body Sprayers	5
Motor Repairs	26
Oatcake Manufacturers	2
Painters Workshops	8
Photographic	3
Printers	2
Sausage, Pie and Cooked Meat Manufacturers	16
Site Operations	12
Slaughterhouses	1
Tailoring	3
Thermostat Manufacturer	1
Undertakers	2
Upholsterers	1
Watch Repairers	6
Welding	1
Wines and Mineral Waters	1
Wireless and T.V. Repairs	6

The number of inspections made of factories by your Public Health Inspectors and action taken is given in the following table:-

Premises	Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories (Mechanical power)	49	Nil	Nil
Factories (Non-mechanical power)	51	Nil	Nil
Factories (Other premises)	79	Nil	Nil

Defects found in Factories are as follows:-

Particulars	Number of Defects		
	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness	12	12	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	7	7	-
Inadequate ventilation	8	8	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	10	10	-
Sanitary Conveniences:			
(a) Insufficient	2	2	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	5	5	-
(c) Separate for sexes	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act	13	13	-

There were no offences in respect of which prosecutions were instituted.

OUTWORK

Number of outworkers in register	9
Lists of outworkers received from other employers	Nil
Lists of outworkers received from other local authorities	Nil
Lists of outworkers sent to other authorities	2
Inspection of outworkers premises	9

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel) Making etc., Cleaning and Washing Embroidery (Wire Badge)	9	-	-	-	-	-
Textile weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	9	-	-	-	-	-

SHOPS ACT

Number of shops entered in register	415
Number of inspections of shops made during 1971	552

The following is a summary of the improvements and repairs carried out at shop premises during the year:-

Improved	35
Cleansed	4
Defects remedied	23
Washing facilities provided	7
Additional sanitary accommodation	1

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Total number of complaints received 20
Total number investigated 6

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960, SECTION 1

	Industrial	Commercial	Domestic	Total
Number of nuisances confirmed	2	2	1	5
Number of nuisances remedied	2	2	1	5
Number of Abatement notices under Section 1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of Nuisance orders made under Section 1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

The most common causes of complaint were, noise from cooling fans, lime burning kilns, air compressors, motors, oil fired installations, quarry operations and pleasure fair.

THEATRES, MUSIC HALLS, ETC.

There are four places of entertainment in the Borough, viz:-

The Opera House, The Pavilion Gardens, The Spa Cinema and the Playhouse.

All the establishments were inspected and found to be well managed.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trade establishments in the Borough.

CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

Notices Served	Removal of Refuse	Removal of Abandoned Vehicles
Informal	3	1
Statutory	Nil	36
Notices complied with		
Informal	3	1
Statutory	Nil	36

Number of vehicles voluntary disposed of by owners at Controlled Tip 19

Costs recovered for disposal of refuse and vehicles under Civic Amenities Act £9.50

ANNUAL REPORT ON RATS AND MICE

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Year ended 31st December, 1971

Properties other than Sewers	Type of Property	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	7,971	33
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	309	Nil
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	67	Nil
(ii) Mice	11	Nil
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	175	3
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	45	3
(ii) Mice	5	Nil

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of Test-baiting of sewers for rats

Total number of manholes in foul and connected systems	1,200
Number of manholes baited	230
Date on which bait was laid	November 1971
Bait used	Fluoracetamide

RECORDINGS OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION WITHIN THE BOROUGH

Site: BUXTON 1 Situation: Town Hall, Buxton

MONTH	SMOKE			SULPHUR DIOXIDE		
	Results expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre					
	Average Concentration	Highest Concentration	Lowest Concentration	Average Concentration	Highest Concentration	Lowest Concentration
January	127	595	19	164	345	48
February	90	284	19	144	274	36
March	84	161	29	138	280	12
April	94	177	18	127	351	42
May	40	82	14	63	113	24
June	53	100	13	83	119	42
July	12	29	1	36	71	12
August	14	38	2	21	42	6
September	26	78	3	34	83	6
October	22	63	3	30	77	12
November	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
December	28	82	6	32	65	6

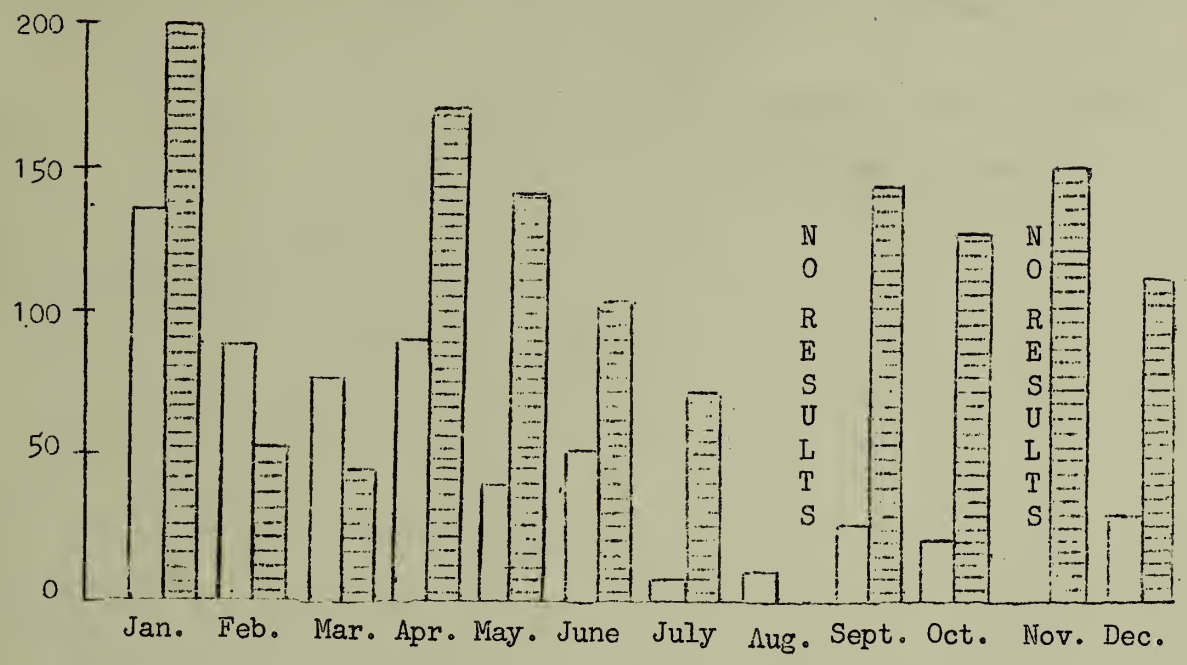
Site: Buxton 2
Situation: Queen's Road Primary School, Fairfield, Buxton

MONTH	SMOKE			SULPHUR DIOXIDE		
	Results expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre					
	Average Concentration	Highest Concentration	Lowest Concentration	Average Concentration	Highest Concentration	Lowest Concentration
January	203	1389	21	210	952	12
February	55	194	18	62	167	12
March	47	110	23	64	161	30
April	174	375	35	212	369	48
May	146	213	82	186	327	101
June	108	233	57	148	327	24
July	73	177	1	104	280	12
August	No Results	No Results	No Results	99	172	54
September	148	300	63	134	226	24
October	125	335	63	137	256	48
November	156	470	48	178	607	48
December	112	194	45	162	274	59

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION 1971

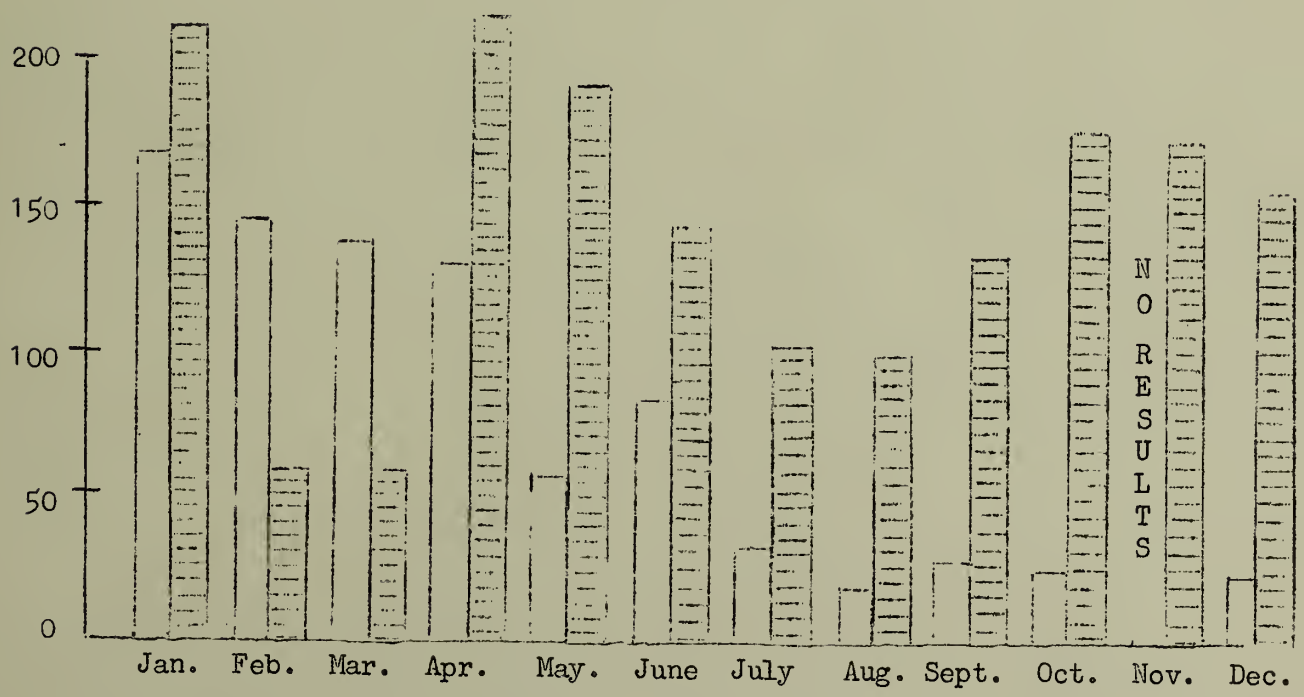
SMOKE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



BUXTON 1

Town Hall,
Buxton.

BUXTON 2

Queen's Road
Primary School,
Fairfield, Buxton.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 - 1968

Nine smoke observations were carried out during the year and advice was given on methods to be adopted for the emission of dark or black smoke.

SECTION 3 CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

Prior approvals granted 1